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 10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 11 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
 12 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

12 WEIMING JIANG,) No. C 08-0332 SI
 13 Plaintiff,)
 14 v.)
 15 MICHAEL CHERTOFF, Secretary of the) FORMAL REQUEST TO BE EXEMPT
 16 Department of Homeland Security;) FROM ADR PROCESS
 16 ROBERT S. MUELLER III, Director of the)
 17 Federal Bureau of Investigation,)
 17 Defendants.)
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19 Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she has read either the handbook entitled
 20 "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California," or the specified portions of
 21 the ADR Unit's Internet site <www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov>, discussed the available dispute
 22 resolution options provided by the court and private entities, and considered whether this case might
 23 benefit from any of them.

24 Here, the parties agree that referral to a formal ADR process will not be beneficial because
 25 this mandamus action is limited to Plaintiff's request that this Court compel Defendants to
 26 adjudicate the application for naturalization. Given the substance of the action and the lack of any
 27 potential middle ground, ADR will only serve to multiply the proceedings and unnecessarily tax
 28 court resources. Accordingly, pursuant to ADR L.R. 3-3(c), the parties request the case be removed

1 from the ADR Multi-Option Program and that they be excused from participating in the ADR phone
2 conference and any further formal ADR process.

3 Dated: April 7, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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6 /s/
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9 Dated: April 7, 2008

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11 JUSTIN WANG
12 Attorney for Plaintiff

13 Pursuant to stipulation, IT IS SO ORDERED.

14 Date:

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16 SUSAN ILLSTON
17 United States District Judge

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28 ¹I, Melanie L. Proctor, hereby attest that I have on file all holograph signatures for any
signatures indicated by a "conformed" signature (/S/) within this efiled document.